# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

#### **Voting Members**

Joey Manahan, Chair; Ann H. Kobayashi, Vice-Chair, Brandon J.C. Elefante, Ron Menor, Kymberly Marcos Pine

Committee Meeting Held February 11, 2016

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin Chair, City Council City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred Resolution 16-17:

"REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF CUSTOMER SERVICES (CSD) TO IMPROVE ITS PROCEDURES IN MONITORING TAXICAB DRIVERS"

introduced on January 22, 2016, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to request the CSD to improve its procedures in monitoring taxicab drivers.

CSD Director Sherilyn Kajiwara and Licensing Administrator Galen Onouye testified in support of the Resolution, stating that CSD supports changes, including moving to a tenyear national background check. Director Kajiwara noted that the department is currently working on changes and improvements in its procedures, including re-writing taxicab testing procedures to ensure applicants meet the criteria to be a driver in the City and County of Honolulu, printing taxicab driver certificates on paper that cannot be reproduced, and working with the Department of Information Technology to computerize its taxicab and taxicab driver records.

Oral and written testimony in support was received from a Charley's Taxi Company representative.

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Your Committee on Transportation is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 16-17 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Elefante, Kobayashi, Menor, Pine, Manahan – 5; Noes – None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

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